GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Industries & Commerce Dept. – Revision of Industrial water tariff to Rs.120/KL, supplied by the Industrial Infra Companies/SPV at the doorstep of the industry across the State- Orders – Issued

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INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (P&I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.1 Dated:12-01-2022.

Read the following:-

1. From the Water Resources (Reforms) Department, e-Office **File No:** ICD01-COOR0MISC/44/2021-REFORMS (**Computer No:** 1489890).
2. Minutes of the meeting for Industrial water pricing and Revenue Mobilization held at 3.00 PM on 27.08.2021.

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ORDER:

Andhra Pradesh has a vibrant fast-growing economy with strong agriculture and industrial base. With the pace of industrial development, the demand for Industrial water has been increasing rapidly. As a result, the surface water and groundwater are being over-exploited for industrial use and this may lead to shortage of water for drinking purpose as well as for agriculture. As per the World Health Organisation report, by 2025 that half of the world's population will be living in water-stressed areas. The Government recognizes the need for evolving strategies for sustainable development through judicious use of water duly conserving the surface and ground water.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Industrial Water Pricing and Revenue Mobilization committee in its meeting opined that there is no uniform principle in pricing of the water and recommended certain measures to bring out the convergence in the procedure adopted by different agencies for the supply of water to consumers and requested the Industries Department, Water Resources Department to take appropriate action in the matter.

3. In the reference 1st read above, the Water Resources Department informed that it was decided to enhance the Industrial Water Tariff duly standardizing the price to Rs.120/KL for all industries across the State and the revenue generated from this shall be distributed in equal proportion on 50: 50 basis to Industries Department and Water Resources Department.

4. Further, the Water Resource Department has requested the Industries Department for assessing the impact of enhancing the water tariff for consumptive to Rs.120/KL, and the process to be followed for transfer of 143 private industries using consumptive water which has direct agreements with Water Resources Department to Industries.

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5. Accordingly, the Government after careful examination of the matter hereby decided to fix the Industrial water tariff at Rs.120/KL, supplied by the Industrial Infra Companies/SPV at the doorstep of the industry across the State, keeping in view the water tariffs across multiple states.

6. Further, the revenue generated after meeting capital expenditure, loan servicing, operation and maintenance charges by the SPVs/APWRDC, funds shall be shared in 50:50 between Industries Department and Water Resources Department for smooth operation of SPVs.

7. The following Departments are directed to negotiate with the industries, where either agreements have been signed or Special Government orders were issued, in order to ensure seamless transition to enhanced water Tariff.

i. The Water Resource Department shall negotiate with 143 existing Industries with whom agreements were executed.

ii. The Industries Department and MA&UD shall also negotiate with all such entities with whom standard agreements were executed/special orders were issued.

8. The Water Resources Department / Municipal Administration & Urban Development / Engineer-in-Chief (Irrigation) / VC & MD, APIIC Ltd / Director of Industries shall take necessary action accordingly, within one month from date of issue of the GO.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

DR. SAMEER SHARMA
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Water Resources (Reforms) Department.
The Municipal Administration & Urban Development .
The Revenue Department.
The Engineer-in-Chief (Irrigation), A.P., Vijayawada.
The Director of Industries, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The VC & MD, APIIC, Mangalagiri.
All the Departments in AP. Secretariat
All HoDs under the control of Ind. & Com. Dept.
All the District Collectors in the A.P. State.

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